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SUBJECT: VISIT OF CHASE MANHATTAN CHAIRMAN DAVID ROCKEFELLER

KUWAIT PLEASE POUCH BAGHDAD FOR ACTION

REF: BAGHDAD 164

1. CHASE MANHATTAN HAS RECEIVED MESSAGE THROUGH IRAQI INTEREST SECTION INDICATING SADDAM HUSAYN WILL NOT RPT NOT BE ABLE TO SEE DAVID ROCKEFELLER BUT FINANCE MINISTER AL-QAISI WELCOMES OPPORTUNITY TO MEET WITH CHASE CHAIRMAN.

2. TRIP COORDINATOR ARCHIBALD ROOSEVELT INDICATES ROCKEFELLER PLEASED AT PROSPECT OF AL-QAISI INTERVIEW AT LATTERS' CONVENIENCE. ROOSEVELT SUGGESTS UNDER CIRCUMSTANCES YOU NOT RPT NOT PRESS FOR INTERVIEWS OR LUNCHEON WITH AL-HAMDANI OR OTHERS BUT INDICATES ROCKEFELLER REMAINS RECEPTIVE TO SUCH OTHER MEETINGS AS MAY ARISE OUT OF LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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INITIATIVES BY FINANCE MINISTER OR PREVIOUS

COMMUNICATIONS.

3. ROOSEVELT AND GRIFFIN BURNETT, CHASE VICE PRESIDENT IN CHARGE OF MIDDLE EAST AND AFRICAN BRANCHES, PLAN TO REMAIN OVERNIGHT IN BAGHDAD FEB 29 BEFORE PROCEEDING TO BEIRUT MARCH 1 ON MEA 323. (ROOSEVELT HAS REQUESTED RESERVATIONS AT BAGHDAD HOTEL BE ARRANGED BY SECRETARY OF IRAQ CENTRAL BANK.) WHILE NOT WISHING TO IMPOSE AFTER OFFICE HOURS, ROOSEVELT WOULD BE DELIGHTED IF WILEY AND/OR KILLOUGH WERE FREE JOIN HIM AND BURNETT FOR CHAT AT HOTEL.

4. MS. HOWSER (AIRCRAFT OWNERS AND PILOTS ASSOCIATION)

PROCEEDING TO FILE REQUEST FOR LANDING AND OVERFLIGHT CLEARANCES CITING APPOINTMENT WITH FINANCE MINISTER. KISSINGER

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